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Five Cents

**Legion Post Dance
And Barbecue
Is Tomorrow**

The annual barbecue and dance sponsored by Greenbelt Post 136 of the American Legion, will be held at the Legion Home on the Branchville Road tomorrow, September 20, starting at 5 p. m. and lasting until the dance is over. The largest affair of its kind in this vicinity, it is expected to draw about 500 people.

The barbecue and beef will be cooked in a new 6-foot by 12-foot brick and concrete pit, which has just been completed at the Legion Home under the direction of Harry Stewart. A new dance floor, recently sanded, is provided for the latter part of the evening's entertainment.

Sharing the entertainment spotlight with the barbecue and dancing will be games, consisting of dominoes, rummy, horse shoes, and others. Helping to serve will be members of Legion Auxiliary Post 136.

Tickets, the cost of which is \$1.00 each, may be procured from any Legionnaire, or at the gate tomorrow. Proceeds will be used to purchase Colors for the Greenbelt Auxiliary.

**Adult Education
Classes Starting**

Monday, September 22, is the date set for the first classes in this year's schedule of adult education. Other classes will be held on Wednesday, September 24, and Thursday, September 25.

Classes to be held on Monday and Wednesday are: Home Economics or industrial art, shop room, High School; typing and shorthand, typing room, High School; and cooking and sewing, home economics room, Elementary School.

Those to be held on Wednesday only are: child study, room 123, Elementary School; pre-adolescent, room 225, Elementary School; Spanish, room 222, Elementary School; and fine arts, room 223, Elementary School.

Thursday, a class in first aid will be given in room 123 at the Elementary School.

All classes begin at 7:30 p. m.

**G.C.A. Inaugurates
Discount Buying**

A discount buying plan for the benefit of residents of Greenbelt was initiated by the Citizens Association last week. The plan will permit holders of an Association membership card to purchase various commodities ranging from electrical appliances, radios, and furniture to automobiles on a cash basis.

The executive committee of the Association reported that membership cards are in the process of being printed and that they will be distributed by the block captains. The cards will serve the purpose of identification of members as well as an index to the stores, articles and approximate discount which will appear on its reverse side. The principle of discount buying has long been a policy of various federal agencies and the Association thought it time that Greenbelt residents be afforded an opportunity to buy articles at lower than popular retail prices.

For the information of Greenbelt residents—every person living in town becomes a member of the Association by attending regular meetings. The block captains who will distribute cards are as follows:

Block A, Milton Carson; Block B, James Smith; Block C, Rolfe Sauls; Block D, Fred DeJaeger; Block E, Sam J. Creggar; Block F, Harold Uhrig. Approximately 800 cards will be printed and the distributing of these to block captains will be supervised by Stan Ostler, chairman of the membership committee of G. C. A.

**Pool Shows \$560
Receipts Increase**

Gross receipts from local recreational activities during the past summer show an increase of \$592.07 over the same period of 1940.

Leading the other activities was the swimming pool, with total receipts amounting to \$6660.82 as compared with \$6102.10 last year, a gain of \$558.72. This gain was made in the most part on cash admissions, where a gain of \$898.69 was made. Receipts on strip tickets amounted to \$300.72 less than the 1940 figures, with a gain of 75 cents showing on passes. There were 21,803 admissions on the 464 passes issued this year.

The lake receipts totaled \$273.45, or \$30.10 over last year's figures, and the tennis courts' receipts amounted to \$303.25, or \$2.25 over those of last year.

A final report showing net profit or loss has not yet been given, as there are still disbursements to be made.

**Prince Georges County May
Yet Get Its Hospital**

By Betsy Woodman

All members of the Prince Georges County Medical Society have endorsed the erection of a county hospital. After a two-year study, findings of a committee representing the County Federation of Citizens' Associations showed a decided need for a county-financed hospital as far back as 1937. A nucleus of county residents, organized as the Prince Georges County Hospital Association, has agitated for such a hospital since 1939. Last March the state legislature passed a permissive bill authorizing the county commissioners to float a \$400,000 bond issue for the construction of such an institution.

A recent letter from County Health Officer J. H. Byers asserts: "The difficulty in getting county residents hospitalized has rapidly increased in the last year and now has reached a point at which, if adequate hospital facilities are not provided in the immediate future for Prince Georges County, there is a grave danger that the control of communicable diseases, especially diseases in the epidemic form as acute poliomyelitis or influenza would completely collapse in this county under the added strain."

As yet, the county commissioners apparently did not "deem it necessary" to float the bond issue until recent group pressure forced a show-down vote which showed the commissioners divided three to two in favor of the issue.

There is, of course, more to the story now. In the original survey it was estimated that a 150-bed hospital capable of caring for 4500 patients a year, and costing between \$300,000 and \$400,000 would be adequate. Now, increased population in the county, plus the advance of building costs has made the commissioners seek an additional \$300,000 federal loan under the Lanham Act.

In answer to the commissioner's charge that a \$100,000 annual maintenance fee would have to be raised by an increased tax rate, Hospital Association officials contend that the hospital could be maintained with the money which the county now spends for hospitalization of county charity cases in Washington institutions. It is estimated that the commissioners spend \$75,000 annually for this purpose, and that other county civic agencies spend another \$62,000. Besides these amounts, there would be the income from the paying patients which doctors in the County Medical Association are certain would average about 50 per doctor in a year's time.

Although additional suggestions

**Red Cross Drive
Swings Into Action**

The local Red Cross drive began on September 15 with seven women serving as block captains. Mrs. P. H. Lung is working in block A; Mrs. A. Chasanow, block B; Mrs. C. G. Fitch, block C; Mrs. George Panagoulis, D; Mrs. C. Turner, E and F; Mrs. George Hodson, Park Bet; and Mrs. F. Grace, J block.

Mrs. Fitch is general chairman of the drive, and wishes to remind local contributors that if they show their cards in their offices, the office will receive a credit.

The Prince Georges County chapter has issued a summary of the work done in the county for the past year. Twenty four classes were given in various kinds of first aid and 256 certificates were issued. There were two classes in home nursing and eight classes in water safety. An innovation was the motor corps, and production of garments for war refugees used 1131 workers who put in 43,247 work hours.

on money-raising have been made, such as Hospital Association President Frank Fierstein's that the Laurel and Bowie race track and the automobile track at Lanham be asked to designate two days during each season as "hospital days", with the proceeds to be turned over to the county for the maintenance of the hospital, no action worthy of note has been taken by the commissioners.

The Hospital Association has met spasmodically with a varied group of people in attendance. Meetings in the last year have concerned themselves with non-integrated discussions of what people should be on what committees. By the time the group convened again, new committees and personnel were deemed necessary. There was no lack of evidence that all were of the opinion that there was an acute need of a hospital, and that all were willing to work hard to bring its existence about. Everything indicated that the next steps were not in the laymen's hands.

Discussions of location were heated and badly out of joint. Most comers, doctors and laymen alike, made the "where" of the hospital a personal issue, as though having it in their town would give them some personal accomplishment. This feeling, however, has diminished recently, and now that location of new county roads has been established, the question of place will be more easily answered. Except to say that the hospital must be centrally located, and not in a city, the Association has now left selection of locality to the commissioners.

A most enterprising publicity man has been able to keep stories of activity concerning the hospital in Washington papers, and to make it appear that work on the project is more integrated than it really is.

A recent development, and a concrete one, was the appointment of a sub-committee to coordinate hospital plans from the Association between the County Medical Society and the County Commissioners. Dr. Morton Kane, Dr. Lewis Jimal, and architect Paul Keys comprise this committee.

A County Hospital Guild already has been organized with Mrs. N. G. Tayman as leader. The Guild, with able support of the women of the county, is planning a campaign for maintenance funds the week of October 19-25, and will conclude the week with a silver tea and dance at the Beaver Dan. County Club October 25.

At the present time the Hospital Association will not concern itself with further discussion of administrative details. Mr. Fierstein says, "We are primarily to aid and assist in procuring the hospital, but will leave its operation to the County Medical Society and the County Commissioners."

**Voters To Pick Councilmen
From 8 Run-off Candidates**

So that Greenbelt voters may select four more councilmen to serve along with Allen D. Morrison, polls will be open again next Tuesday from 7 a. m. to 7 p. m. in the Council room for the run-off election. Eight candidates will share the opportunity of another try at enough votes to secure election.

NEW COUNCILMAN . . .

. . . Out of a slate of 14 candidates, Allen D. Morrison was the only one able to secure enough votes to be elected in Tuesday's balloting.

**Local Residents
At Co-op Conclave**

The Fourth Annual Co-op Conclave, sponsored by the District of Columbia Cooperative League, was held at Camp Goodwill, near Quantico, Virginia, last weekend. The program, which included several forms of recreation, discussions, and addresses by prominent persons, lasted from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon.

Among those who attended from Greenbelt were Misses Thelma Blauw, Helen Scribner, and Martha Hanes; Mrs. Carnie Harper and her son Frank; and Walter R. Volckhausen, formerly a director and president of Greenbelt Consumer Services.

Stephen Raushenbush, author of "The March of Fascism" and other books, spoke on "Cooperatives as National Defense." He is now research and economic advisor to the Department of Interior's power division.

A former correspondent, Helmut F. Kern, addressed the cooperators on the subject, "Cooperatives Here and Abroad." Wallace J. Campbell, assistant secretary of the Cooperative League of U.S. A., spoke on the "National Co-op Emergency Drive."

Farm Bureau insurance in the District now ranks sixteenth in volume of business, whereas it was once 131 on the list, it was reported at the conclave.

**9 Boys Arrested
In Milk Thefts**

Following numerous complaints that have been made during the past six weeks, the local police department caught nine Greenbelt boys who were found guilty of taking milk delivered to Greenbelt homes.

While there have been a few instances of milk being stolen ever since Greenbelt started, the situation became worse this summer than it had ever been before. Safety Director Panagoulis said he found it difficult to judge just how much milk was stolen, as many cases probably went unreported. He asked that anyone missing a bottle of milk in the future report it to the police department immediately.

Mr. Morrison's 416 votes put him far ahead in Tuesday's election. No other candidate received the necessary 337 votes required for certification to the two-year job as councilman.

The eight candidates who remain in the run-off election are: Curtiss F. Barker who received 308 votes in Tuesday's balloting, Frank J. Lastner who took 272 votes, Sherrod East who had 258 votes, George F. Bauer with 236, Marian P. Staniec with 234, Sam J. Cregger with 227, Thomas B. Ricker with 226, and Ed Walther with 197. Eliminated candidates were James L. Pinckney with 182 ballots, Arthur N. Gawthrop, with 144, Sol Z. Shub with 140, Anna Walsh McNamara with 133 and Lydalu Palmer with 115.

When elected the five new councilmen will select the new mayor to replace Mr. Gawthrop.

By means of the loudspeaker set up in the window of the Administration Building many interested Greenbelters were able to follow the progress of the ballot count after the polls closed Tuesday at 7 p. m. Fred Wilde, director of count, announced each vote cast as well as totals at intervals, until the tabulation was completed at 10:50 p. m.

Leo Mullen and J. P. Murray served as judges, Mrs. Dorothy Merryman, Mrs. Joseph Long, Mrs. Hartford Downs, Mrs. Dorothy Hartley and Fred DeJaeger as clerks.

**Arbitration Board
Being Formed**

In accordance with the provisions of the compromise agreement made by the membership of the Health Association, an arbitration board is being formed to review the dispute between the former board of directors and Dr. Joseph Silagy. The board has appointed Dean Clark of the United States Public Health Service, while Dr. Silagy has named Ed Walther as his representative. The American Arbitration Association has been contacted through Harold Burton, its Washington representative, who has indicated that the association would be willing to cooperate in the matter and that it would submit a panel from which Dr. Clark and Mr. Walther would select the third arbiter.

Dr. Silagy has been appointed acting medical director of the Health Association, pending the outcome of the arbitration.

**Vacation Assembly
Starts School Year**

The pupils of Greenbelt Elementary School held their first assembly of the school year on September 12 in the auditorium. Following the taping of the colors by Boy Scouts the school joined in salute to the flag and the "Star Spangled Banner."

Mrs. Catherine Reed introduced the new teachers to the children and the new pupils were introduced by the old. Mildred Spidle gave a solo song to the group who then took turns telling of their vacations. Betsy Kay and Thor Wood told of their trip to Cuba, James Taylor of his trip to Iowa, and Lorene Nelson of her visit to an Indian village in the Middle West.

Arthur Krause showed the group his collection of fish and sea shells gathered along the Gulf of Mexico and Lewis Clark told of

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The Polio Situation

When the Cooperator published a story last week in which Dr. Joseph Silagy, town health officer, stated that not a single case of infantile paralysis (poliomyelitis) had been reported in Greenbelt, we acted in good faith, believing that he was the adequate authority on such information. We now have indisputable evidence that at the time this statement was submitted to the Cooperator, a suspected case of polio had already been reported to Dr. Silagy.

A flyer, distributed the day before the Cooperator, apparently just in case the editor learned the truth in time to kill the story, made similar denials of the reporting of any polio cases. This, too, was circularized after the first suspected case was reported to Dr. Silagy.

We dislike further embarrassment to the family of the patient, for they have already been subjected to too much torture through no fault of their own. However, rumors spread throughout the town make it necessary to state the brief facts.

In treating the Wondrum boy Dr. Clesson Richardson suspected that the ailment might be poliomyelitis, and reports that he asked the town health officer to check up on the case. Dr. Silagy decided that the ailment was not polio and refused to issue a quarantine. In view of this difference of opinion, Dr. Scandiffio, medical director of Group Health, was consulted by the patient's parents. Considering the symptoms, Dr. Scandiffio asserted that it appeared to be a case of polio. In the dissatisfaction which ensued following the disagreement on diagnosis Dr. Byers, health officer for Prince Georges County, was called, Dr. Richardson was consulted, and finally Dr. Hodes of the State Board of Health was brought here from Baltimore to render an opinion.

Dr. Byers told the Cooperator that the Wondrum youngster's illness "very likely was polio." Dr. Richardson insists that this was "an abortive case of polio." Dr. Hodes rendered a written report after his examination and definitely stated that the boy had suffered an attack of polio. The boy now has special splints on his leg as a therapeutic measure for the results of the illness. Dr. Silagy, as town health officer, issued his statement to the Cooperator and by flyer that no cases of polio had been reported.

Dr. Richardson and Dr. Byers have told the Cooperator that to their knowledge the only other case of polio in Greenbelt was the Bowman child, who is now in Children's Hospital in Washington.

Now Dr. Silagy says that as of Wednesday night there were two cases of polio in Greenbelt, that "one is in a Washington hospital and the other is now an inactive case and out of quarantine." He would not further identify the cases for the Cooperator. This, it seems to us, practically constitutes an admission that the Wondrum boy did have polio and should have been quarantined when reported by Dr. Richardson.

We do not mean to quibble over the severity of the first polio case here. Admittedly it was a light case, and for that we are thankful. It is our contention that any slight case of polio, or any case of suspected polio should be quarantined. We have no light contempt for the seriousness of this disease, even though we are assured by Dr. Silagy that "There is no cause for alarm, the peak of the epidemic has long since been over, and we expect no future cases in Greenbelt."

George A. Soper, medical consultant for all U. S. Housing Authorities projects, has just issued a memo on precautions against polio in which he advises that "attacks are often very mild and unusual" and that "children having unaccountable fever should be isolated." Dr. Byers tells us that he has insisted on prompt quarantine on cases in various parts of the County. We insist that our own local health officer maintain equal vigilance for the protection of our children.

A man can be pretty accurately measured by the size of things that make him angry.

The most fortunate man is he who thinks he is.

To the Editor---

Polio Protest

To the Editor:

On September 7, a case in Greenbelt was diagnosed as a suspected case of polio.

The Department of Public Health was consulted and on the 8th of September the public health officer examined the child and subsequently issued two statements that there was no polio. Meantime the mother and sister of the sick child were in daily contact with people in Greenbelt.

We worried mothers made every endeavor to make absolutely certain that the child was not afflicted, even going so far as consulting the town manager and the County Department of Public Health.

On September 12, the mother of the ill child, since two physicians had diagnosed the case as polio, insisted that the county public health officer determine for himself the condition of the child.

Dr. Byers accompanied by an orthopedic surgeon and his assistant, visited the child and the mother was told that the child definitely had had infantile paralysis. Consequently his limb will have to be placed in a cast for at least two weeks.

We feel that the Department of Public Health should be condemned for not having exercised the utmost precaution in determining whether the case we mentioned was actually infantile paralysis before the letter was issued.

We cannot risk the spread of the disease in Greenbelt. We insist that an investigation be made of this case and that immediate action be taken by at least two competent physicians to ascertain whether there are any other cases and that every means possible be used to assure us that our children are protected against this plague.

—Freda L. Bierwagen,
Helen J. Jones,
Margaret R. Turner,
Martha E. Day

Defense Council

To the Editor:

On Saturday, September 13, a letter was received by all local citizens which bore my name as a member of the Greenbelt Defense Council. Although I knew nothing of the letter until I received my copy, I feel that I owe the Cooperator an apology as a member of the group which issued the letter.

Following the meeting of the Defense Council on Wednesday, I visited the offices of the Cooperator with Mr. Walther, chairman of the council, to see if an account of the meeting could be published in the Cooperator. Since we found the paper was already pasted up, and because there appeared to be nothing urgent about the item we had, I presumed it would appear in the next issue of the Cooperator. I was therefore surprised to see a mention made of the Cooperator in the aforementioned letter.

I realize the statement that "the Cooperator was unable to give us publicity this week", although it was made without intent to reflect on your newspaper, is apt to and did create the impression that news concerning the Defense Council was purposely omitted. I regret that such an inference resulted from the letter—therefore this apology.

—A. Chasanow

Retort Courteous

To the Editor:

George Bauer has referred to item 5 in my letter to the editor last week as a "lie," and has demanded a published apology for said "lie."

In the first place, that item couldn't have been a lie because it was not even a statement—it was a question, as Mr. Bauer can readily see if he reads the letter.

In the second place, Mr. Bauer should be happy that someone brought item 5 up for scrutiny because it resulted in exactly the action it was intended to produce, namely, it immediately ran a bad rumor into the ground.

All five points given in my letter last week were intended to provoke interest among the readers in the leadership qualifications and political aspirations of the candidates. The letter produced the results desired as everyone can see, because practically every candidate felt it necessary to give his stand on the Hospital and on the Council's compensation; Mr. Walther's attitude on elected bodies was well before the public; a local civilian defense move was precipi-

tated; and George Bauer at last explained to all the reason he resigned from the Citizens Association staff.

If I hadn't presented the question which Mr. Bauer bristled at, a great many people would still have the mistaken notion that he sidestepped the Citizens Association gavel without good reason.

—T. T.

Legion Barbecue

To the Editor:

What promises to be the largest and finest party of its kind ever held in this section of Maryland will be held on Saturday afternoon September 20. This big affair will start at 5 o'clock in the afternoon and upwards of 500 people are expected to be present. This affair is the annual Bar-B-Q and Dance.

Have you ever been to such a feast as this? Well to give you all a slight idea of what you do—you come over and get your ticket for \$1.00 if you haven't already gotten it and then you start eating hot Bar-B-Q pork and beef and of course other refreshments that go along with it. You eat a little and then perhaps get into a game of horse shoes or dominoes, rummy or most any other parlor game which so many of us seem to know. Then you eat a little more and so on into the night. Then you dance on the Legion's recently completed newly sanded dance floor and boy do we have fun.

You no doubt wonder who will be there. Well you will probably rub shoulders with your big boss from one department or another. Maybe your Congressman will be there. In fact you are liable to see most anyone there. No one

should

miss this party of parties being given Saturday afternoon, September 20, starting at 5 o'clock. Tickets can be gotten from any Legionnaire or at the gate on Saturday. Comm. Craig, recently elected, really has a gang of regular hustlers working night and day getting ready for the party. A new 12 by 6 brick and concrete pit has been completed under the direction of Harry Stewart and all in all a swell time is in store for anyone who comes. Fellows, you can bring your wife along if you care to. Plenty of parking space for all. Come early and stay late. Eat, drink and be merry.

—Roy Bell I.,
Publicity Chairman,
American Legion

Thanks

To the Editor:

I take this opportunity to express my appreciation to the people of Greenbelt who supported my candidacy for council in last Tuesday's balloting.

—James "Larry" Fiesney.

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One Year Ago

(From the Cooperator of September 12 and 19, 1940)

Major John O. Walker of F.S.A. assured lots to the Homeowner's Coop . . . The Town Council sought Hatch Act exemption . . . Sulo Laakso resigned as manager of Greenbelt Coop stores . . . George Hodson was appointed as new manager . . . The Elementary School welcomed 376 pupils . . . The Council heard plans for a nursery school . . . The Greenbelt Publishing Association purchased a new proofing press.

Hebrew Congregation

High Holy Day services will be observed this year at the Hillel House on the campus of the University of Maryland, at College Park. Rabbi Samuel Silver, who will officiate, has extended an invitation to the local congregation to attend both the Rosh Hashonah (New Year) and the Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) services.

The former will begin on Sunday evening, September 21, at 8:00 p.m. and will resume at 10 a.m. on Monday morning, September 22. Yom Kippur services will begin Tuesday evening, September 30 at 8:00 p.m. and resume Wednesday morning, October 1, at 10 a.m. Holiday prayer books should be brought to worship.

Cars will be needed for transportation of worshippers and persons who will have room are asked to call President Bernard Trattler at 3362 to aid in making arrangements.

Stringed Orchestra Meeting Tonight

A meeting to discuss rates and organization plans for Greenbelt's stringed orchestra will be held tonight at 7:30 in the kindergarten room of the Elementary School. Present will be Henri Sokolov, who has been selected as instructor for the orchestra.

The only requirement necessary to join the orchestra is the possession of a stringed instrument.

Vacation Assembly

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his fishing trip to Florida. Jean Bonnar who was to have told of summer camp life was absent because of illness. Patsy Lane described Indian life in Oklahoma and the religion and customs of the Cherokee, Osage, and Wyandotte tribes there. Jean Slye told of her visit to Wisconsin, and Joan Gamble described her vacation fun.

Ruth Cushing explained the projects enjoyed by the children who had spent the summer in Greenbelt, showing examples of craft work done here. Barbara Bonham served as announcer for the program. The songs "Rippling Waters" and "God Bless America" rounded out the assembly.

OUR NEIGHBORS

By SALLY MEREDITH

The social season has definitely started in Greenbelt—at least for the youngsters. Among those entertaining in the younger set the past week are: Ruth Schwab, 11-J Ridge Road, who celebrated her ninth birthday with a party attended by seven other little Greenbelt ladies; Roberta Esteale Loeb, 4-C Hillside, better known as "Robbie", who had five candles on her birthday cake which she served to her guests on Saturday, September 13; Little Sharron Walther, who would have celebrated her birthday in July, when she became four years old, but delayed it until her friends returned from vacations gave a party on Thursday, September 11.

The adult social whirl in Greenbelt seems to be a year-around affair. Picnics, swimming parties in the summer, and the more formal parties in the winter make Greenbelt a sort of continuous resort town. Inasmuch as this is an in-between season, we have had quite a bit of both. In the summer category, there was a picnic held by the Charles Fogartys and the Glen Soellners at Great Falls. A little more on the formal type was a wedding reception held by Mrs. Ralph Cross of 13-Q Ridge Road for her brother, Curtis G. Humphreys, who was married September 6. Her father, Dr. G. I. Humphreys, officiated at the ceremony, and was present at the reception. The bride and groom sailed September 11 for Puerto Rico.

What local gentleman was seen going into town Monday evening arrayed in sartorial splendor? Could it be that a certain university in Washington has very attractive co-eds?—I'm glad a certain fellow staff member isn't my boss. I hear he's quite a slave driver in his official capacity!—Mr. and Mrs. George Panagoulis left Thursday for Nashua, N. H., to attend the wedding of George's sister. They'll be gone ten days or a couple of weeks.—The Prince Georges County Police Boys Club is going to start a club here. Good idea, don't you think?—Next time it appears that your milkman has skipped you, don't be too hasty in accusing him. I've been doing that, but it now comes to light that it wasn't the milkman's negligence, but the negligence of certain Greenbelt parents who failed to teach their children that other peoples' property is not to be taken without the knowledge and consent of the owners.—I sincerely hope that none of the boys from Ft. Meade that broke the school windows were among those entertained here a while ago. Maybe someone's chicken dinner was tough!

It is hoped that Greenbelt parents won't let the polio scare upset them too much. Of course, I know how hard it is not to worry, as I have a little boy who worries me every time he won't drink his milk. However, worrying won't keep him from getting it, and might, in fact, contribute to the cause, as it makes us unfit to think clearly.

I've been asked to mention the fact that it's rather disturbing to hear loud music at night, even good music.

We hope that Leila Dobbin, 24-F Crescent Road, will recuperate quickly with her family in Topeka, Kansas. Her husband, Paul Dobbin, left Wednesday to take her there.

Dave Gaffon, 48-C Crescent Road, probably imagines he's enacting a role in "The Man Who Came to Dinner." Eddie Goldstein, of New York City, who came here on a visit, contracted an illness and is still here!

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ratkin, 23-E Ridge Road is Sidney Spector, Mrs. Ratkin's brother-in-law. He has obtained a position in Washington, and is staying in Greenbelt until he can get a place in Washington.

Why do children insist on throwing stones? It is one of the most dangerous practices that seem to appeal to them. Latest victim is little Harold Chasanow, who received a bad cut under one eye from a thrown stone, a cut that could have been very serious if it had been the slightest bit higher.

Patty Beebe is much better, and will, probably be home by the time you read this.

P.T.A. Beginning Season Monday

The Parent Teachers Association of Greenbelt Elementary School will hold its first meeting of the current year Monday, September 22 in the auditorium.

This will be an informal meeting to which the newcomers are given an especially cordial invitation. The meeting will feature introduction of the teaching staff and library personnel and the nursery school teacher.

Those attending will be given a preview of the year ahead and the work planned. Suggestions from the membership will be welcomed as to topics they would like reviewed. The recreation department will provide entertainment after the meeting.

Folk Dancers Are At Handball Court

Folk dancers are reserved this Saturday night from 9 o'clock on for their third weekly outdoor dance. Weather permitting. The handball court in the rear of the swimming pool will be lighted again and it is planned to have "Happy Wacker" and some of his boys to play.

Watchers and dancers are all invited—there is no charge for either.

Meat Department Has New Manager

George C. Farrall was employed early this week by Greenbelt Consumer Services to serve as manager of the Food Store's meat department. He replaces Le Roy Browning who resigned.

Mr. Farrall, who resides in

Food Prices Climb To New Heights

Retail food prices for the United States as a whole advanced 1.2 percent between mid-July and mid-August, reaching the highest level in 10 years, the Bureau of Labor Statistics has reported.

The index of retail cost of 54 important foods, at 108 percent of the 1935-39 average, is now 12 percent higher than last year. Although food prices have been rising continuously since November, the advance has been at a more rapid rate since March than in the preceding months and the index rose 10 percent between March and August.

Washington, has had considerable experience in the meat business there. He is married and has a son and a daughter, the former now serving in the army.

Laakso Advises Store On Greenbelt Visit

Sulo Laakso, former general manager of Greenbelt Consumer Services, spent last week in Greenbelt studying the problems of the Food Store.

Now on the staff of the Consumer Distribution Corporation, Mr. Laakso was here in an advisory capacity with a view toward suggesting improvements in the services and operations of the store.

He returned to New York Sunday.

The index of food prices in Washington, D. C., on August 12 stood at 107.5, as compared to 105.7 on July 15 and 96.3 on August 13 last year. The increase over last year is about 11.5 percent.



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Superintendent Tells All, Almost

Mrs. Helen Long, new superintendent of the Greenbelt Hospital, started her professional career—would you believe it?—as a schoolmarm in the primary department of her home town school in Herrin, Illinois. As soon as she reached the independent age of 21, however, she streaked it for New York and realized her life-long ambition of becoming a nurse by entering the Mt. Sinai School.

After graduation she spent three years doing institutional work, discharging the duties of head nurse and also supervising a dental clinic. For the next three years she was on private duty, then spent a year in the office of Dr. Bick, orthopedist. She resigned this position last September to come to Greenbelt as assistant hospital superintendent under Elsie Yuretich, who is now leaving Greenbelt to take a public health course at New York University.

Mrs. Long came to town as "Miss Boren." Her change of name, which occurred only last month, was the result of a Greenbelt romance with Bill Long, once a member of the Cooperator staff and now a selectee at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds.

Night School Starts At Maryland U.

Classes in the University of Maryland Night School begin next Monday, September 22. College credit courses will be offered in art, chemistry, economics, education, literature, history, political science, psychology, and zoology. Dr. Hugh Bone of Greenbelt will offer a course in "Political Parties and Pressure Groups." The American Council on Public Affairs will shortly publish a work by Dr. Bone on the "smear" aspects of the 1941 campaign.

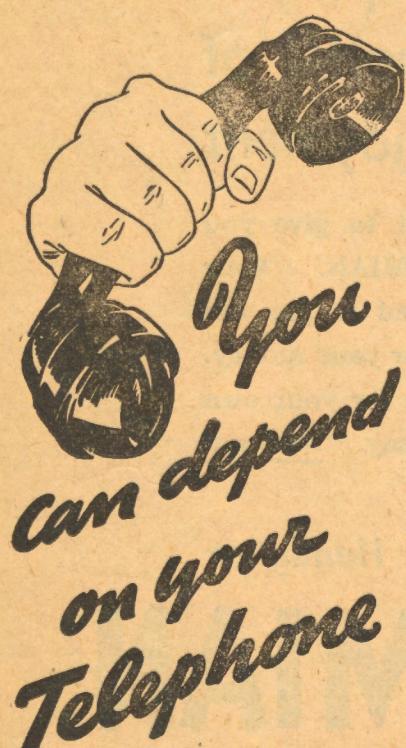
Registration will take place for these courses on Saturday from 9 a.m. until noon, and on Monday, September 22, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. A late registration fee will be charged after that time.

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Police Catch Six Window-breakers

Part of an evening's entertainment for a group of Fort Meade soldiers consisted of breaking 18 of the Greenbelt High School windows last week. The damage, which was done on Wednesday night, September 10, was discovered on Thursday, and the miscreants caught by the Greenbelt police department and put in the custody of the Fort Meade military police on Friday, September 12. When apprehended, the soldiers, six in number, asserted that only one member of their group had actually broken the windows. They gave no reason for the misdemeanor, claiming it was "just part of the evening's fun." If so, it was an expensive part, because damages were paid by the culprits.

An average human being requires about 3,000 cubic feet of air per hour.

Tests Show Cigarette Differences Slight

Results of new Consumer Union cigarette tests were used as testimony for the government in an anti-trust case against five leading cigarette manufacturers. The government charged that the "Big Five" conspired to keep up prices consumers pay for cigarettes, keep down prices paid to farmers for tobacco. Part of the argument was that there is very little difference among the leading brands.

CU's witness stated, on the basis of 341 tests, that most smokers can't tell the popular brands apart. The persons tested were steady smokers, people who used an average of 17 cigarettes a day. Most of them thought they could identify brand names. But with the trade-marks inked out, they had no better success guessing cigarette brands than they would have had calling the next roll on a pair of dice.

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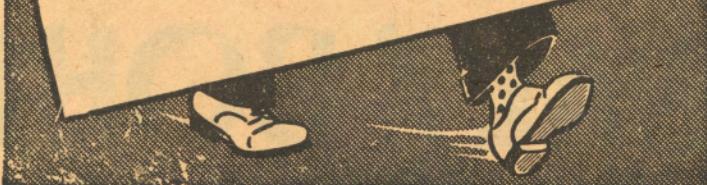
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Health Association Has New Schedule

Dorothea Henes, Health Association nurse, announces that pending the approval of the board of directors, a new schedule of hours will be in effect at the office. Ten hours will be added to the schedule, and all pediatric appointments will be scheduled for afternoons.

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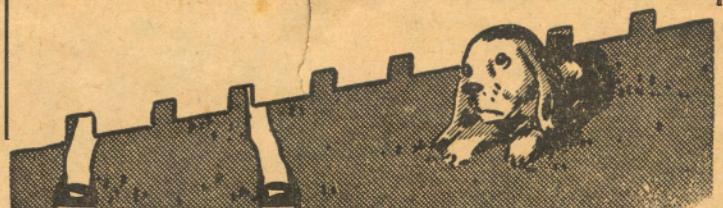
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Boys B-B Gun Club

Stops for School

The Boys' B-B Club has been discontinued, due to the starting of school. Regular meetings will be resumed next summer, it was announced this week by Safety Director George Panagouli.

Food costs in August were 1.3 percent higher than in July, and 12.8 percent above those of August 1940.